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**FALL RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.**

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**GENERAL POLICY NO 207**  
**SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS**

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**I. PURPOSE:**

The Cooperative shall actively participate and support those organizations and groups working to improve the working, social, and economic standards of the community.

**II. POLICY STATEMENT:**

It shall be the policy of the Cooperative to maintain membership in the following organizations, to provide support and to elect or designate representatives to serve as trustees, directors, officers, members and/or delegates as needed:

A. Any organization or group which shall have as its ultimate purpose the furtherance of the rural electrification program for the benefit of all people in rural America, to be decided on annually by the Board of Directors. The following organizations may include, but are not limited to:

Northwest Public Power Association (NWPPA)

Idaho Consumer-owned Utilities Association (ICUA)

Snake River Power Association

Public Power Council (PPC)

National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA)

Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative (PNGC) Power Pool

Power Resource Council (PRC)

National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC)

National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative (NRTC)

Montana Electric Cooperative Association (MECA)

Wyoming Rural Electric Association (WREA)

- B. Any organization or group working to improve the social, economic, or physical wellbeing of rural America, or any segment thereof, such as Chambers of Commerce and Rotary Clubs.
- C. Any organization or group which will aid directors, members of management or employees of the Cooperative to improve their capabilities, and by so doing aid the Cooperative in attaining its objectives

**III. RESPONSIBILITY:**

The Board of Directors and the CEO/General Manager.

**IV. PROVISIONS:**

The following provisions shall be observed in participating in and supporting the activities of other organizations:

- A. Membership in and support of any organization not specifically named above, shall be approved in advance by the Board of Directors, except where approval of such memberships is expressly reserved for the Cooperative membership, as noted in the Articles of Incorporation, by-laws, or General Policies.
- B. Membership fees and/or dues shall be paid to the organization by the Cooperative.
- C. Expenses incurred by directors, members of management, or employees participating in the activities of such organizations shall be governed by those general policies covering travel and incidental expenses.
- D. The selection of representatives to serve as directors, officers, members, and/or delegates to such organizations shall be as follows:
  - 1. Selection of a member, or members, of the Board of Directors to represent the Cooperative shall be made by the President of the Board, except in those instances whereby law, the Articles of Incorporation, by-laws, general policies, rules, or regulations of the Cooperative or of the other organization, elected representatives are required. In such an event, selection shall be as specified, or if not specified, shall be by a majority vote of members of the Board

at which a quorum is present.

2. Selection of a member or members of management, or of employees to represent the Cooperative shall be made by the CEO/General Manager, or their designated representative, unless restricted as outlined in paragraph 1 of subsection D above.
3. Any director, manager, or employee authorized to serve as a director or on a committee of any of the approved associations is authorized to attend meetings when they are called.

**V. PRIMACY OF POLICY:**

This policy supersedes any existing policy that may be in conflict with the provisions of this policy.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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Georg Behrens, President

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